

Public Affairs Office

News Release

News Release No. 02-05	Date: February 1, 2002
	Contact: Public Affairs Office
	Phone: (509) 527-7020

Recreation season planning decision delays Corps of Engineers' sales of boat-launching ramp passes at Lucky Peak Dam, Lake

Boise, Idaho — Recreation officials at Lucky Peak Dam and Lake will not start selling annual boat-launching passes until decisions about access to Barclay Bay and Turner Gulch are made, according to an announcement from the lake manager's office issued today.

"We expect to reopen the roadway across the top of the dam for access to Barclay and Turner sometime later this spring but there are many logistical and administrative requirements and actions that have to be taken care of before we do that," said Dave Brownell, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers operations manager at Lucky Peak.

The cross-dam roadway was closed to comply with increased security regulations following terrorist attacks Sept. 11, 2001, and has remained closed since. Security, operations and other senior leaders from the district headquarters in Walla Walla, Wash., will make the final decisions about reopening the roadway across Lucky Peak Dam. The Corps will make public announcement through print and broadcast media when a roadway opening date has been determined. Corps officials want to stress that there is no current projected opening date.

Once those decisions are made, the \$25 boat launch passes will go on sale for the Corps' Barclay Bay and Turner Gulch boat ramps. These facilities are accessible only by driving over the cross-dam roadway. The alternative, a \$2 on-site daily launching fee, will also be an option for visitors. The mailing address for information and passes is: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Lucky Peak Dam and Lake, 9723 East Highway 21, Boise, ID 83716. Passes for 2002 will only be available by mail, payable by personal or cashier's check or money order, according to Joyce Dunning, senior park ranger at Lucky Peak.